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NEBRASKA WEEKLY WEATHER AND CROP REPORT

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WEATHER Temperatures averaged near or slightly below normal. There was considerable cloudiness and little wind. Heavy rains occurred over the southwestern portion of the State and the southern portion of the Panhandle, and light to moderate, but locally heavy rains elsewhere in the State.

CROPS All crops improved. Wheat nearing completion except Panhandle where rains are delaying harvest. Wheat and small feed grain yields exceeding expectations. Corn shows further improvement, growth is getting very rank. About 11 percent of the crop was in tassel for the week ending Saturday. Cool weather and ample moisture retarded tasseling somewhat. With continued favorable weather for a month, Nebraska should have a splendid corn crop.

About 71% of the wheat was harvested up to last weekend. Rains have delayed harvesting in the Panhandle where only 12% of the crop is harvested and that mostly in Deuel, eastern Cheyenne and southern Morrill counties. The progress of wheat harvest in other Districts is as follows: North Central, 72%; Northeast 79%; Central 71%; East Central 92%; Southwest 88%; South Central 87%; Southeast 93%. Rain has caused considerable delay of wheat harvest in the Panhandle. Because of the wet soil, some loss is expected from wheat being piled on the ground in southwestern Nebraska.

Harvesting of oats and barley indicate that the yields are exceeding even expectations. Some of the spring small grains are being windrowed prior to thrashing because of weedy condition. One county reported that harvested oats are beginning a second growth because of the wet condition of the fields.

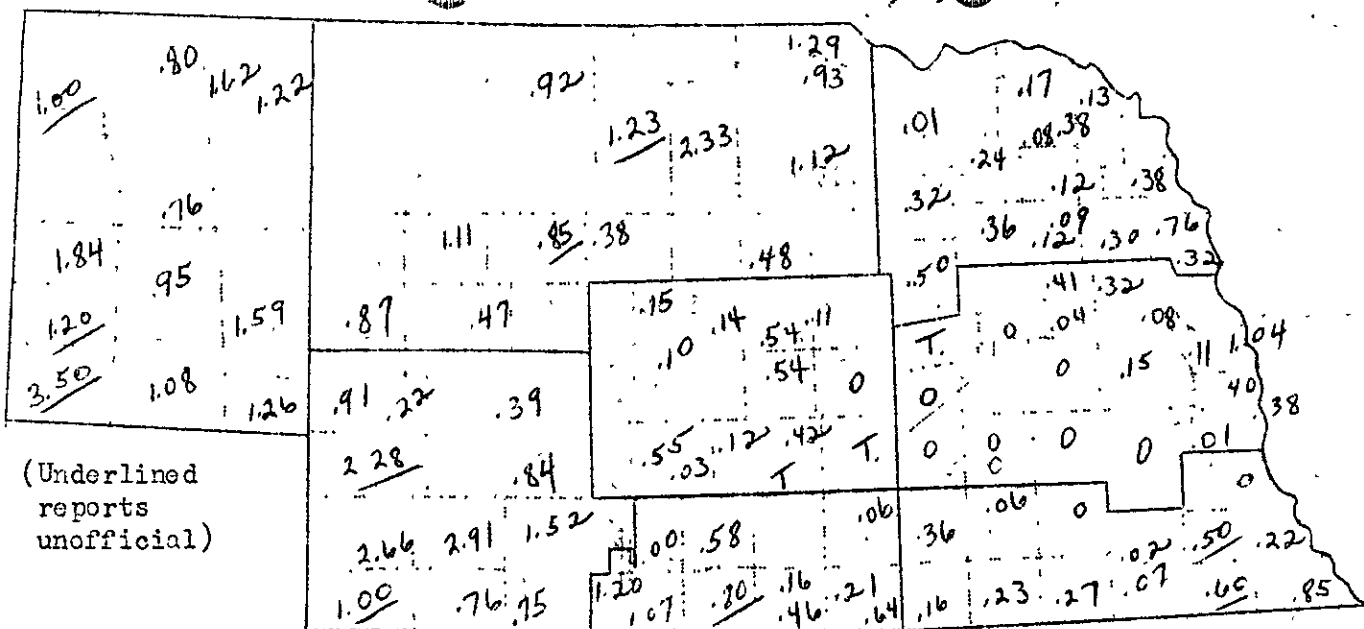
Forage crops, alfalfa and wild hay show further improvement. Pasture has improved, also.

LIVESTOCK The outlook for livestock is better because of the more favorable outlook for pasture, hay and grain feeds. While the rains came a little late for wild hay in the sandhill areas, there has been some improvement and the outlook for pasture and winter range is much better. The improved feed grain outlook might stimulate hog production. (Issued by the Weather Bureau and the State and Federal Departments of Agriculture.)

WEATHER BUREAU TELEGRAPHIC REPORT OF PRECIPITATION FOR THE WEEK ENDING JULY 19, 1948.

Eastern Division	Eastern Div., Cont'd.	Central Division	Western Division
Albion 1.03	Hastings 1.24	Broken Bow 1.82	Alliance 1.44
Auburn .35	Lincoln .23	Burwell .48	Chadron 1.19
Beatrice .65	Norfolk .64	Cambridge 1.20	Culbertson .88
Columbus .48	Oakdale 1.01	Holdrege .63	Hayes Center 2.91
Fairbury .91	Omaha .90	North Loup .81	Kimball --
Fairmont .59	Red Cloud .69	North Platte .63	Scottsbluff 1.87
Falls City 1.39	St. Paul .80	O'Neill 1.37	Sidney 1.93
Fremont 1.29	Tekamah .32	Ravenna 1.91	
Grand Island .33	Wakefield .26	Valentine 1.06	
Hartington .42	York .28		
Average this week	0.69	1.10	1.70
Total since April 1	11.16	9.77	10.42
Normal since April 1	13.24	11.16	9.20

PRECIPITATION FOR WEEK ENDING JULY 16, 1911



HIGHEST AND LOWEST TEMPERATURES (For 24 hrs. ending 6:30 a.m.)

		July											
		13th		14th		15th		16th		17th		18th	
		Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min
NW	Chadron	--	49	89	62	80	52	78	57	78	55	80	51
	Scottsbluff	--	56	89	56	80	52	80	58	75	58	82	59
	Sidney	88	53	87	59	74	50	78	56	75	58	80	56
N-C	Burwell	91	62	85	53	78	--	80	--	82	53	83	61
	Valentine	89	66	81	63	76	59	78	65	72	57	82	60
NE	Norfolk	91	65	88	64	81	67	82	58	85	60	83	60
	Sioux City	92	66	88	66	81	63	84	59	86	58	84	57
Cen.	Grand Island	88	65	89	65	81	62	86	60	86	61	84	64
E-C	Lincoln	89	68	91	67	85	70	86	61	89	66	88	65
	Omaha	92	68	87	67	83	66	88	63	86	64	87	63
ST	Hayes Center	87	60	88	62	74	63	--	63	83	59	80	63
	North Platte	85	60	88	66	71	59	81	60	--	60	78	60

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